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Docket No.: 4006-280

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Chen-Chi LIN et al : Confirmation No.1151
U.S. Patent Application No. 10/743,821 : Group Art Unit: 2871
Filed: December 24, 2003 : Examiner: DUNG T NGUYEN

For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

By Official Action mailed September 12, 2005 restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC 121:

- I. Claims, 1-9 and 16-18, drawn to a liquid crystal display (LCD) module; and
- II. Claims, 10-15, drawn to an LCD manufacturing method.

In response, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-9 and 16-18) for examination in this case.

The election was made with traverse, because the inventions of Groups I and II are not related as apparatus and product made, as indicated in the Restriction Requirement. The inventions of Groups II and I are related as process of making and product made.

The Restriction Requirement is further traversed because the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden. Inventions II and I are related as process of making and product made. In the relevant art, i.e., LCD design and fabrication,

references often describe both the device's structure and manufacturing method, as will be apparent to the Examiner upon conducting a search for prior art. Therefore, both Inventions I and II can be covered in a single search. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden on the Examiner.

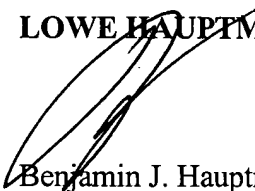
In view of the above, withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement and consideration of all claims pending in the instant application are believed appropriate and therefore respectfully requested.

Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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